

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

April 27, 2021

The Honorable Peter A. DeFazio
Chairman
U.S. House Transportation and Infrastructure
Committee
2167 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Sam Graves
Ranking Member
U.S. House Transportation and Infrastructure
Committee
2167 Rayburn House Office Building
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Dear Chairman DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves,

I am requesting funding for the Route 34 Erie Canal Bridge Replacement Project in the Town of Cato, New York, in the 2021 surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The sponsor for this project is the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT), and this project would be carried out on Route 34 in the Town of Cato, New York 13033.

The requested funding amount of \$6,500,000 would be used for the replacement of the deficient structure crossing the Erie Canal in the Town of Cato. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have important safety benefits for my constituents and the surrounding area. As included in the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) Transportation Improvement Plan, this project would address existing deficiencies in the current structure, putting in place a new structure to ensure reliability and integrity for the public.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Thank you for your attention and consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



John Katko
Member of Congress